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| a. Pharmazeutisches Werk Madaus, Dresden-Radebeul | 10-12 x 10 ⁹ units |
| b. Jenapharm, Jena | 90 x 10 ⁹ units. |

Of the total monthly DDR production of about 100×10^9 units, about 56×10^9 units are used within the DDR, and the remainder is available for export. Jenapharm holds a reserve of 120×10^9 units of penicillin.

2. There is currently no important production of atropine, belladonna, hyoscyamine, or scopolamine in the DDR. Attempts to import these drugs have been fruitless. The DDR is trying to import belladonna from Rumania, but so far without success. There is no reserve of these drugs in the DDR. There is no production of pure alkaloids and only a few firms, such as Ysatfabrik, Jernigerode, and Union, Calbe*, cultivate plants producing belladonna alkaloid extracts for their own special preparations. Pharmazeutisches Werk Madaus is studying the extraction of alkaloids from imported drugs.
3. Poppy capsules are treated at VEB Chemische Fabrik Reichenbach, Reichenbach, Oberlausitz, Saxony. Further treatment is carried out by Madaus and Jenapharm. The current requirements for morphine are 120 kg. a year.
4. The production of codeine by the methylation of morphine is being done at Jenapharm. The annual DDR requirement for 800 kg. of codeine can not be met by Jenapharm in 1951.
5. Jenapharm is producing ethylmorphine by the ethylation of morphine. The annual DDR requirement is 25-30 kgs. The drug is used in the DDR almost exclusively for optical purposes.
6. In early April 1951, a 600,000 east mark order for penicillin, morphine, and other drugs, all destined for Korea, was placed with the DDR pharmaceutical industry. This order was channeled through "Volkssolidarität", Herr Petermann (2ma), Berlin H 54, Rykestrasse.

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7. The DDR is in difficulty over the import of drugs. The former IG concern (sic) in Hungary is able to deliver few drugs. A large order for unspecified drugs from Czechoslovakia has been outstanding for nine months.

Attempts were made to acquire as many drugs as possible before the expiration date.

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